



FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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January 17, 2002

Sarah Brown, Treasurer  
Ohio State Republican Party  
211 S. Fifth Street  
Columbus, OH 43215

Identification Number: C00162339

Reference: 12 Day Pre-Special Report (1/1/01-5/30/01)

Dear Ms. Brown:

On December 26, 2001, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your January 8, 2002 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

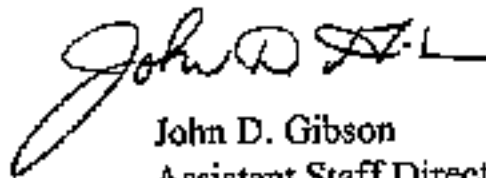
-Schedule A supporting Line 15 of the Detailed Summary Page discloses refunds or rebates from several local party organizations. Please clarify whether the original disbursements were reported on Schedules B and/or Schedule H4. Please be advised that when a committee receives a refund or rebate of an allocable expense, it must be allocated between the federal and non-federal accounts according to the same allocation ratio used to allocate the original disbursement. Furthermore, the federal account must transfer the non-federal portion to the non-federal account and disclose this transfer-out on Schedule H4. Please provide further clarification regarding the activity on Schedule A supporting Line 15.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by February 6, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response

submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions related to this matter, please contact Thomas Maxwell on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or our local number (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John D. Gibson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a stylized "G".

John D. Gibson  
Assistant Staff Director  
Reports Analysis Division

